

State of California

Respiratory Care Board





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Inquiry: Recently, Adenosine has been suggested as a stress agent in Persantine

cardiac stress testing. (1) I need to inquire if this agent is within my scope of practice to give during stress testing. (2) Also, Persantine stress tests have a 1 in 4 chance of side effects which are reversed using either Aminophylline or Compazine. Am I allowed to give these drugs under

direct physician supervision?

Response: This information is not verbatim from the Respiratory Care Practice Act

(RCPA), but in the RCB's judgment, highly inferred and allowed.

Be advised that the performance of this procedure should be conducted in accordance with a respiratory care protocol, as defined in Section 3702 of

RCPA.

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